# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE

| IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION   | )                        |
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| OF DELMARVA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY  | )                        |
| FOR AN ANNUAL UPDATE IN THE GAS    | ) PSC DOCKET NO. 17-1014 |
| ENVIRONMENTAL SURCHARGE RIDER RATE | )                        |
| (FILED AUGUST 29, 2017)            | )                        |

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

# UPDATE TO DELMARVA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY'S GAS ENVIRONMENTAL SURCHARGE RIDER RATE

# TO: ALL NATURAL GAS CUSTOMERS OF DELMARVA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY AND OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS

The Delaware Public Service Commission (the "Commission") will conduct a public comment session and evidentiary hearing concerning the above-captioned case (as further explained below) at the following time and location:

#### Date & Time Location

Thursday, November 9, 2017 at 1:00 p.m.

Hearing Room
Delaware Public Service
Commission
861 Silver Lake Boulevard
Cannon Building
Dover, DE 19904

### Delmarva Power & Light Company's Environmental Surcharge Rider

#### Rate

Pursuant to the environmental remediation recovery mechanism approved in PSC Order No. 6401 (April 20, 2004) in Docket No. 04-53, Delmarva Power & Light Company ("Delmarva") has filed an application (the "Application") with the Commission proposing a decrease in the Environmental Surcharge Rider ("ESR") from a positive surcharge of \$0.00169 per ccf to \$0.00160 per ccf, or \$0.00168 per mcf to \$0.01599 per mcf, for all firm gas

delivery customers, with the decreased rate to become effective with usage on and after November 1, 2017, with proration, subject to modification and refund after an evidentiary hearing.

For a typical residential space heating customer using 83 ccf of gas in a winter month, the effect of the proposed ESR rate change will be a decrease in the monthly winter bill of approximately \$0.01 or 0.1%. The effect of the decrease on commercial and industrial customers will depend on their usage.

By Order No. 9123 dated September 28, 2017, the Commission permitted the proposed rates to become effective with usage on and after November 1, 2017, with proration, subject to modification and refund after an evidentiary hearing.

On November 9, 2017, starting at 1:00 p.m., the Commission will consider whether to grant Delmarva's Application. The evidentiary hearing will be held at the Commission's office located at 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Cannon Building, Suite 100, Dover, Delaware 19904. The Commission will render a decision based upon the evidence presented to it at this evidentiary hearing.

Interested persons or entities are afforded the opportunity to file written comments or objections to the proposed change in the ESR rate. Such written comments or objections must be filed on or before October 20, 2017. Please send these written comments to the Commission's address listed above and note the "attention to" as "PSC Docket No. 17-1014." Written comments may

In addition, the Commission will accept public comments on the Application immediately prior to the commencement of the evidentiary hearing on November 9, 2017.

If you wish to formally participate as a party in this matter, with the right to present evidence and be represented by counsel, you must file with the Commission a written petition asking for leave to intervene in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (26 Del. Admin. C. § 1001-2.9) on or before October 12, 2017. All such petitions should be sent to the Commission's address listed above with attention to "PSC Docket No. 17-1014." Petitions for intervention that are not received by the Commission on or before October 12, 2017, will not be granted unless good cause is shown. If intervention status is granted, any intervenor wishing to oppose the Application must file written pre-filed testimony with the Commission on or before *October 19, 2017*. Any submissions sent by an intervenor that are not received by the Commission on or before October 19, 2017 will not be considered. Such written submissions shall also be served on the persons identified in Order No. 9123 in this docket.

You may review documents pertaining to this matter on the Commission's e-filing website at <a href="https://delafile.delaware.gov">https://delafile.delaware.gov</a>. If you would like to review the documents related to this matter at the Commission's office,

donna.nickerson@state.de.us to arrange a time for your review during normal business hours. You may also review copies of these documents at the Wilmington office of the Division of the Public Advocate located at the Carvel State Office Building, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, 820 North French Street, Wilmington, Delaware 19801 or the Dover office located at 29 S. State Street, Dover, DE 19901. Please call the Wilmington office at (302) 577-5077 or the Dover office at (302) 241-2555 to arrange for a time to review the documents at that location.

If you wish to request copies of documents in this matter, please submit a Freedom of Information Act Request Form. This form may be found at <a href="http://delaware.gov/help/foia request.shtml?subj=DOS">http://delaware.gov/help/foia request.shtml?subj=DOS</a>. The Commission will respond to your request in accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, 29 Del. C. ch. 100.

If you have a disability and wish to participate or to review the materials in this matter, please contact the Commission to discuss any auxiliary aids or services you might need to help you. You may contact the Commission in person, by writing, by telephone (including text telephone), by Internet email, or other means.

If you have questions about this matter, you may call the Commission at 1-800-282-8574 (toll-free in Delaware) or (302)

736-7500 (voice and text telephone). You may also send questions regarding this matter by Internet e-mail addressed to psc@state.de.us; include "PSC Docket No. 17-1014" as the subject.